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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 21, 2006, said period of response being extended from July 21, 2006 to October 23, 2006 (October 21 and 22, 2006 being Saturday and Sunday respectively).

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Additionally, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees as set forth in §§ 38 CFR 1.16 to 1.18 which may be required for entry of these papers or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

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